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Fluor Foundation and Employee Donations Top \$1.8 million to Community

CINCINNATI - J. Robert (Bob) Fluor II, vice president of Global Public Affairs for Fluor Corporation, is in the Cincinnati area this weekend to participate in Cincinnati's Earth Day celebration as well as to provide financial support to some local schools as they expand their science curriculum. Since 1992, Fluor has managed the cleanup of the 1,050-acre DOE – Fernald site where 500 million pounds of uranium was produced during the Cold War. The aftermath of this early production mission was significant environmental damage including a contaminated aquifer, hundreds of contaminated structures and millions of tons of radioactive waste.

"From the beginning, Fluor employees have gone out to schools to explain Fernald's significance in our nation's defense program. They've also talked about what we're doing to erase the environmental damage and what we've learned to ensure such mistakes won't happen in the future," said Bob Fluor. "We strongly believe that, with a little encouragement, the kids involved in these after-school programs will take this interest and quite possibly make science or environmental engineering a career."

"Over the years, we've improved our science proficiency scores. We attribute it to the hard work of our teachers using new curriculum and equipment we've bought with help from Fluor Foundation donations. All of our kids, elementary through high school, have benefited from the financial and time commitment of Fluor Fernald employees," said Southwest School Superintendent, Dan Lawler.

With the completion of the cleanup of the Fernald site less than one year away, Fluor's legacy of community support will remain well beyond the Fernald mission in other ways as well. "On Saturday, I'll also get a chance to walk through the eleventh and twelfth Habitat Houses we've helped build around the city," said Fluor. "Building a home like that changes the lives of an entire family. For a company – that's an investment that will last forever."

Since 1992, Fluor Fernald employees with matching or separate donations from the Fluor Foundation have invested over \$1.8 million in education, human services and through United Way. "Even though the cleanup is nearing completion, it hasn't affected Fernald workers willingness to give. I am very proud of not only what they've done on the project, but how well they represent our company in the community," said Fluor.



Fluor Fernald expects to complete the cleanup, soil certification and all restoration by spring 2006. The DOE's Office of Legacy Management will be responsible for the long-term care of the site once cleanup is complete.

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